

Translation of the pertinent portions of a Request for
Payment of Additional Fees, mailed 02/13/2004

1. The International Search Authority

i) is of the opinion that the international
application contains 2 inventions, which are contained in the
claims cited on a separate page, (Rules 13.1, 13.2 and 13.3),

and is of the opinion that the international
application does not meet the requirement of unity of the
invention (Rule 13.1, 13.2 and 13.2) for the reasons stated
on the separate page.

ii) has performed a partial international search of the
portions of the international application relating to the
invention first mentioned in claims 1 to 20, 22 to 32.

iii) will prepare the international search report for
the remaining parts of the international application only to
the extent that additional fees are being paid.

2. Applicant is requested to pay the amount listed
below within 30 days from the mailing date of this request:

EUR 945.00 x 1 = EUR 945.00

Attachment to the Request for Payment of Additional Fees

The International Search Authority has determined that this international application contains several (groups of) inventions, namely:

1. Claims: 1 to 20, 22 to 32

Method and device for controlling the web tension of a multi-web system, having a control system consisting of two separate control processes, which are provided for the tension control of the webs in respect to each other, as well as for the respective individual control of the webs, and wherein the second control process can operate with the use of fuzzy logic.

(Object: The flexible control of web tensions in a multi-web system for achieving a maximal tension profile of each individual web, or of the relative tension in the brought-together web).

2. Claim: 21

Method for controlling a parameter in a paper-processing press with two control processes, wherein in the first one a preset value for a parameter is generated by means of a prescription and/or a characteristic diagram, which is provided to a second control process, which operates with the use of a fuzzy logic, wherein at least one term of the fuzzification is changed.

(Object: Control of any arbitrary parameter of a paper-processing press, taking empiric values into consideration).

The invention relates to a plurality of inventions or groups of inventions within the meaning of Rule 13.1 PCT. These were divided as described above. If applicant should pay additional fees for a not yet searched group(s) of inventions, the additional search(es) could uncover further prior art, which would prove "a posteriori" a further lack of unity within one (or several) of the not yet searched group(s). In this case only the first invention within (each one of) this (these) group(s) of inventions, in connection with which a lack of unity had been noted, would be subject of a search.

No further request for payment of additional fees will be issued. The reason for this is that Article 17(3) PCT has determined that the ISA is to prepare an international search

report for those parts of the international application relating to the invention first mentioned in the claims ("main invention") and for the parts relating to inventions for which additional fees have been paid. Neither the PCT treaty nor the PCT guidelines provide a legal basis for further requests for payment of additional search fees (W17/00, Item 11, and W1/97, Items 11 to 16).